Maryland Historical Trust Determination of Eligibility Form

pperty Name: 414 E. Diamond Avenue (MD 124)	Inventory Number: M: 21-74				
Address: 414 E. Diamond Avenue	Historic District: Yes X No				
City: Gaithersburg Zip Code:	County: Montgomery				
USGS Quadrangle(s):					
Property Owner:	Tax Account ID Number:				
Tax Map Parcel Number(s):	Tax Map Number:				
Project: 2011 Bond Bill	Agency: BPW				
Agency Prepared By:					
Preparer's Name:	Date Prepared:				
Documentation Is Presented In:					
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility Recommen	nded Eligibility Not Recommended				
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Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing					
Name of the District/Property:					
Inventory Number: Eligible:					
	Date:				
Avenue during their November 15, 2011 meeting and determined that the house	is not eligible for listing in the National Register.				
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW Eligibility Recommended: Eligibility Not Recommended: Considerations: MHT Comments: Jonathan Sager Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	A B C D E F G Tuesday, November 15, 2011 Date				
Reviewer, National Register Program	Date				

Inventory No.

M-21-74

1. Name of	Property	(indicate prefer	red name)	1110		
historic	The Byrne	King House				
other						
2. Location						
street and numbe	er 414 East D	iamond Avenue			not for pub	olication
city, town	Gaithersbu	rg			vicinity	
county	Montgome	ry			×	
3. Owner of	f Property	(give names and ma	ailing addresses o	all owner	rs)	
name	Todd A. an	d Madeline H. Roy				
street and numbe	r 414 E. Diai	nond Avenue			telephone	
city, town	Gaithersbu	rg	state	MD	zip code 20877	7
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Other						
6. Classific	ation					
Category district X building(s) structure site object	Ownership public X private both	Current Function agriculture X commerce/trade defense X domestic education funerary government health care industry	landscape recreation/cr religion social transportatio work in prog unknown vacant/not in other:	n ress	Resource Count Contributing Noncont 3 3 Number of Contributin previously listed in th	buildings sites structures objects Total

7. Description

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Condition

___ excellent

_ deteriorated

X good

ruins

fair

altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

RESOURCE TYPE: Contributing

ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY

The house at 414 E. Diamond Avenue is located on the nearly intact north side of the 400 block of E. Diamond Avenue. It faces south on a large half acre rectangular lot, located in a low density commercial/residential/office area of Olde Towne Gaithersburg on two-lane East Diamond Avenue. Despite the mixed uses. East Diamond Avenue retains many large street trees and deep front yards. Across the street are houses of the same era now used commercially. Although now more commercial than residential in 2001, the area with its wide paved road, sidewalks and front yards on the north side retains the sense of a 1900-1930 residential streetscape.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The subject house at #414 E. Diamond Avenue is an "L" shaped vernacular two and a half-story frame house consisting of a rectangular side-gabled main block with a projecting front-gabled front section. IT also has a rear sed-roofed section that probably originally served as the sleeping and utility porch. Two additions have been made to the enclosed rear porch section. The house and its outbuildings are mostly intact, except for the replacement of the porch posts and floor. Its irregular massing, with a one-story mitred three-sided window bay on the west side makes it one of the most architecturally distinctive houses on the block. It fits well architecturally with its neighbors at #412 and #416. The roof is asbestos shingle, the foundation concrete where wisible, and the chimney brick. The exterior cladding is a concrete/asbestos wood-grained siding which was probably installed over the original siding. It has two-over-two double hung windows.

The 1930 Sanborn Map shows the house as an irregular rectangle with a small rear porch in the northeast corner. It had two small and one large outbuilding. The 1949 Sanborn Map shows porch additions on the side and rear, changes apparently mmade during the Byrnes' ownership. The 1960 Tax Assessor's Office worksheet shown on the next page and the present layout are consistent with the 1949 map. The worksheet identifies the rear addition as an entrance to the second story. One of the two small outbuildings present in 1960 is no longer there. The other two, though, appear to be in original condition.

8. Signifi	cance	Inventory No. M-21-74				
Period 1600-1699	Areas of Significance	Check and justify beloweconomicshealth/medicineperforming arts				
1700-1799 1800-1899 1900-1999 2000-	archeology X architecture art X commerce communications community planning conservation	educationindustryphilospohyengineeringinventionpolitics/governmententertainment/landscape architecturereligionethnic heritageliteraturesocial historyexploration/maritime industrytransportationsettlementmilitaryother:				
Specific dat	es 1905	Architect/Builder				
Constructio	n dates 1905					
Evaluation fo	or:					
N	lational Register	Maryland Register X not evaluated				

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

SIGNIFICANCE

The 1905 house at 414 E. Diamond Avenue is one of a number of period residences built from 1886 to 1930 on the north side of East Diamond Avenue. Built in the 20th Century, it is typical of vernacular architecture of the period and is largely intact. Although its site and exterior materials have been altered, its main block and stable are basically intact. IT formerly abutted the Fulks Farm, and now abutts the Gaithersburg Middle School. As was common during the 20th Century, it was used both as a residence and business location during its history. Its location on the Gaithersburg-Laytonsville Road, connecting the two farming communities, was a prominent one.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

After the Metropolitan Branch of the B&O Railroad was initiated in 1873, traffic surely increased as the commercial center of Gaithersburg moved from Frederick Road to near the depot at Summit and E. Diamond Avenues.

The house lot at 414 E. Diamond Avenue is part of the original Deer Park tract patented by Jeremiah Crabb in 1723. Much of the land that was settled in the nineteenth century as Gaithersburg and that now lies to the north and east of Route 355 in the city limits of Gaithersburg was part of Deer Park. (1) Generally speaking, the half of Deer Park north of Summit Avenue was associated during the nineteenth and easrly twentieth centuries with the Gaither, Gloyd, Walker, Rabbitt, and Brookes families. The southern half of Deer Park was primarily associated with the Clopper/Hutton family. (Adding to the confusion is the fact that there was also another Deer Park tract in Montgomery County, located next to "Bear Garden Enlarged.") (2)

The Southern half of the Deer Park tract lies on both sides of much of the preferred route for Clopper's proposed Metropolitan Railroad, and surrounds the intersection of Laytonsville and Goshen Roads (now E. Diamond and Summit Avenues). Clopper stood to profit handsomely from development of this land when his railroad went through. Although he and his partners lost their charter to build the Metropolitan Railroad, after the Civil War they were able to persuade the B&O Railroad to build a new linefollowing their surveyed route through Montgomery County and Gaithersburg. Francis C. Clopper did not require the B&O to go through the usua condemnation process for acquisition of his Deer Park land for the new line's tracks in 1868; he deeded right-of way to the B&O for a nominal sum plus an agreement that the B&O would construct a station and turnout siding on his property. (3) Francis Clopper died December 31, 1868, having survived his wife Jane Byrne who died 4/28/1865. (4)

Mary Augusta (Clopper) Hutton and Douglas Clopper were the surviving children and heirs of Francis Clopper. In 1855, Mary Augusta Clopper had married William Rich Hutton from Washington, D.C. (b. 3/21/1826, d/ at the Woodland 12/11/1901). William Rich Hutton served as Assistant Engineer of the Metropolitan Branch of the B&O Railroad and the Washington Aqueduct and Chief Engineer of the C&O Canal, Western Maryland Railroad, the Washington Bridge of the Harlem River in

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New York and the Hudson River Tunnels in New York. The Huttons' family home was the Woodlands, although Wililam Rich Hutton spent most of his time at his New York office. They had 5 children who survived to adulthood.

At the death of Douglas Clopper in 1870, his other heirs and his sister Mary Augusta Hutton paritioned the real estate that had been left to them from Francis Clopper's estate. Mary Augusta Hutton and others got all of Francis Clopper's 229.5 acre Deer Park estate. (5) The Huttons started selling off lots of various sizes from their Deer Park holdings in 1877. (6) In 1901, William Rich Hutton died. (7)

In 1905, Mary Augusta Hutton sold a 24,395 square foot lot of her Deer Park tract on Laytonsville Road to Walter C. and Erma C. Byrne. (8) Mr. Byrne was a green grocer in Gaithersburg. (9) The 1910 census has him, age 31, and his wife, age 22, living at 414 E. Diamond with a daughter and a son, also named Walter; by 1920, they had 4 children. He, or his son Walter, also was a butcher. (10) City building permit records document his request to build a 22' x 28' store on Diamond Avenue. (11)

According to the 1960 Tax Assessor's Office worksheet, the house at #414 was built in 1899. It is more likely the house was built by the first owners of the lot, Walter and Erma Byrne, sometime after 1905 and before 1910, when the census has them in the neighborhood.

In 1955, Mr. Byrne's estate sold #414 to Donald G. Elizabeth F. King for \$15,200. (12) (The Kigns bought 416 E. Diamond in 1964 also.) (13) Donald Geoas King was born April 10, 1917, at Lewisdale, was an active member of the Grace Methodist Church, and was honored in 1995 for 50 years service to the Gaithersburg Lions Club. He was married to Betty Freize, who operated a beauty salon. (14) According to a c. 1977 news article, Mrs. King started as a beautician in 1937 and opened a shop in 1950 at 214 E. Diamond. In 1956 she moved her shop, Betty's Beauty Salon, to 414 E. Diamond. She was a member of the Gaithersburg Chamber of Commerce and the Soroptimist International of Upper Montgomery County. (15) According to the 1960 Tax Assessor's Office worksheet on #414 reproduced above, the hosue was being used as Betty's Beauty Salon and had one apartment.

Richard Perry, lifelong resident of Gaithersburg, former resident of the 300 block of E. Diamond Avenue, and former postal worker, recalled a time in the 1950's when #414 was rented out- the top floor to a retired couple, Mr. and Mrs. Gilliam, and the bottom floor to Mrs. Rogers, a substitute teacher and her daughter Ann. Ann taught piano lessons at the house. Basil Schwartz, a carpenter who lived next door and whose wife had died, began calling on the Rogers. Everyone assumed he was calling on the mother who was his age, so they were surprised when he married Ann, the daughter. (16)

In 1995, the Kings, then living on Hutton Street, sold #\$14 to Todd A. and Madeline H. Roy for \$235,000. (17) The house bear a sign reading "Bethel House."

HISTORY OF DEER PARK LAND PATENT IN GAITHERSBURG

The Deer Park tract of 470 acres was originally granted by patent to Ralph Crabb on December 1, 1723. It was described as being "on the east ward of the Indian Park. ("Park" is probably a mistranscription by the clerk of "path"). After Ralph Crabb's death, his widow Priscilla conveyed the 470 acres to her son Jeremiah Crabb on August 14, 1753). (18) Jeremiah Crabb is shown as living in Montgomery County near Derwood (a name possibly derived from "Deerwood") on the 1794 map of the county. (19) He fought in the Revolutionary War, attaining the rank of General, and served in the U.S. House of Representatives, all before the age of forty, when he died. He is buried in Derwood. (20)

In 1755, Jeremiah Crabb sold the twelve acres of the tract "over the main (i.e. frederick) road on the west side 'to Thomas Clarkson, of Prince George's County." (21) (This is the 12 acres that later became Logtown.) (22) On February 16, 1756, Jeremiah Crabb sold the remaining 458 acres to Williamson Bruce, the tract being described as "beginning at a glade of Muddy Branch, a little to the eastward of the Indian path running thence north." (23) (This point is located on a lot on Central Avenue in Oakmont.)

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The next deed reference is in 1780, when John Bruce, presumed to be an heir of Williamson Bruce, conveys 229 1/2 acres (the southern half) of Deer Park to William Holmes for 12,000 pounds. (24)

In the 1783 tax assessment, the Deer Park tract was valued at 229 pounds, and consisted of 1 log dwelling, 1 tobacco house, 90 acres cleared, 3 acres marsh, and had middling soil. It was one of four properties owned by William Holmes. In 1790 he owned 30 slaves, but we do not know at which of his properties they lived. In 1793, the 229 acre tract was valued at about 226 pounds.

William Holmes according to Thomas Scharf's _History of Western Maryland_ (at 665-668), served in the Maryland House of Delegates in 1786, was Judge of the Orphans" court in 1802-3, and was Associate Judge of the Circuit Court in 1803. e died in 1825 at nearly 79 years of age. Is widow Eleanor Holmes and his son Richard Holmes were administrators of his will, recorded at Montgomery County Wills P/309. His son Richard, born in 1791, inherited the Deer Park tract.

Richard Holmes served as a Lieutenant with the Maryland Militia in the War of 1812. In 1823 he married Rebecca Warfield. He was known for arriving for worship at the Paint Branch Chapel (near present day Cherry Hill Road) in a decked-out carriage and for accumulating slaves. In the tax assessments for 1841-42, he was the richest man in Montgomery County. His Fourth District property, the 229 acres of Deer Park, was valued at 3, apparently depleted as a result of tobacco cultivation. None of his slaves is listed in the Fourth District. He had five children, including his son William, born 4/23/1824. The family lived at The ome Place, Montmorency, a mansion built by Richard's father, William Holmes, and now known as Llewellyn Fields. Llewellyn Fields is a Montgomery County Masterplan site located at 950 Norwood Road, in Silver Spring. Richard Holmes died on 9/8/1845, following his wife's death on 4/14/1842.

His son William was Richard's estate's administrator and was required to post a \$250,000 bond with the Orphan's Court. The estate inventory of 1/12/1847 showed he owned stock in the Frederick Road and had five properties, including the "Gaithersburg farm about 229 acres." The property had apparently deteriorated and was described as having about 20 acres in wood, land quite poor, much unenclosed, and a very indifferent dwelling, rental value \$30 per year. Evidence provided to the Chancery Court in 1847 was that he owned 5000 acres with others as tenants in common, including the "Cracklin District place" of 200 acres in Deer Park. In 1853, the trustees appointed by the Chancery Court (25) to sell off Richard's property conveyed the Deer Park tract to Newland Irish of New York. (26/27)

The deed to Newland Irish conveying Holmes' "Cracklin District place" from the trustees of the Chancery court was recorded a L/f JGH4/132, 2/24/1853. In 1860, Francis Clopper bought it from Newland and Sarah Irish, (28) at a time during the Depression of 1857 and on the eve of the Civil War. Clopper was a wealthy farmer and entrepreneur who had moved to Montgomery County from Philadelphia in the first half of the 1800's. His family was connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad.

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: III) Piedmont, Montgomery County, City of Gaithersburg Chronological/Developmental Period(s): K) Industrial/ Urban Dominance: 1870-1930 Historic Period Themes: 2) Architecture/ Landscape Architecture, Community Planning

Resource Type: Category: Building

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/single dwelling, frame detached residence

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Known Design Source: None

ENDNOTES

Endnotes Abbreviations:

MCHS= Montgomery County Historical Society

L/f= Montgomery County Land Record Liber/folio

MLK= Martin Luther King Jr. Library, Washington, D.C.

JR L/f= Montgomery County Judgment Record Liber/folio

Edwards I or Edwards II= Phil Edwards, _Washington Grove I _ and _Washington Grove II _

Heart = _Gaithersburg: the Heart of Montgomery County_, 1978, City of Gaithersburg, MD.

Aerial Photos= 1938 and 1951 aerial photos from U.S. Defense Mapping Agency

1943 aerial photo from U.S. Photo Conservation Service. All are reproduced from National Archives Collection. Copies are available at the Gaithersburg Community Museum reference library.

- 1. See inside front cover of _Heart_ for William E. Hutchinson's overlay of the Deer Park tract on the current street map of Gaithersburg.
- 2. Frederick Co. L/f E/1010 (2/16/1756)
- Heart at 16.
- 4. MCHS Hutton family file.
- 5. L/f EBP7/89 (1/13/1870)
- 6. See list of sales of Deer Park through 1914 in L/f 246/97
- 7. MCHS Hutton family file
- 8. L/f 184/349; 7/24/1905
- 9. 1910 and 1920 census microfilm at MCHS
- 10. Heart at 99.
- 11. City of Gaithersburg collection.
- 12. L/f 2100/443; 7/8/55.
- 13. L/f 13436/596 (6/2/1995)
- 14. Hurley, William Neal, Jr. The King Families, 1997, at 323.
- 15. MCHS biography file.
- 16. Interview with Richard Perry, April 6, 2000.
- 17. L/f 13436/596 (6/2/1995)
- 18. Frederick County L/f E/323, as abstracted by Patricia Abelard Andersen, in _Frederick County Maryland Land Records- Liber E Abstracts, 1752-1756
- 19. MCHS
- 20. MCHS Crabb family file.
- 21. 4/26/1755, Frederick County L/f E/732, per abstract as above.
- 22. Frederick Co. L/f M/589 (11/23/1769)
- 23. Frederick Co. L/f E/1010 (2/16/1756)
- 24. L/f A/522 (7/6/1780)
- 25. Montgomery County Chancery Court Records reported in L/f B171/632 (2/1847)
- 26. Chancery case reported in L/f B171/632 (2/1847)
- 27. All the preceeding information about the Holmes family was gathered by Eleanor Cooke and contained in the Holmes family

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file at the MCHS 28. L/f JGH8/317 (8/16/1860)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Deer Park, frontign on Diamond Avenue. Tax Map FT52, P973.

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See continuation sheet.

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11. Form Prepared By					
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The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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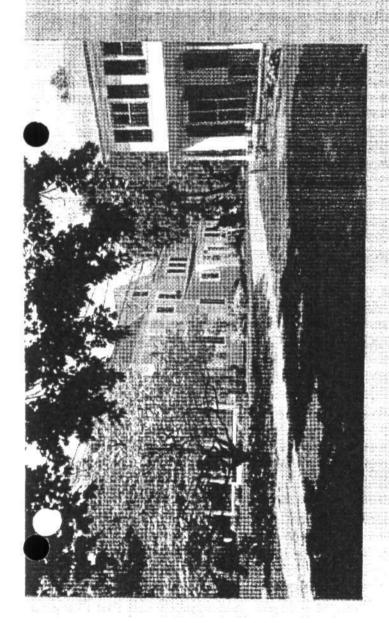
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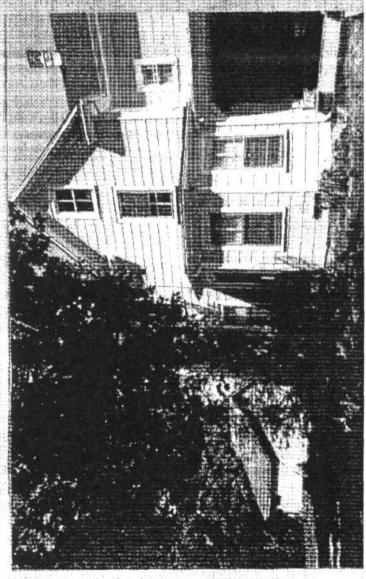
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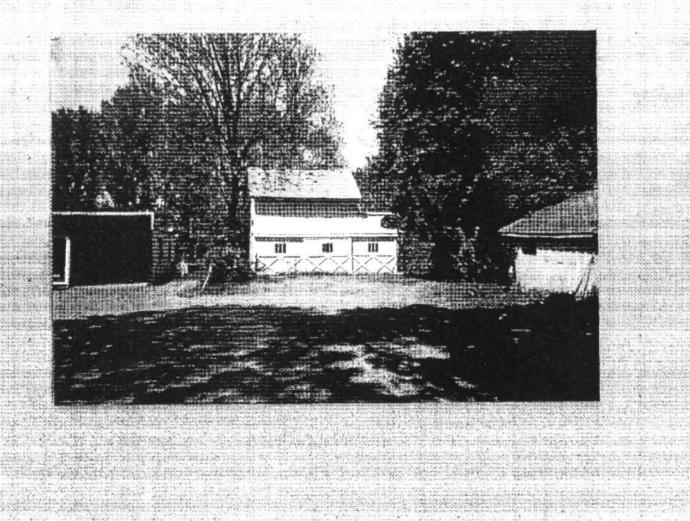
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GAITHERSBURG HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET

ADDRESS 414 E. DIAMOND AVE. MHT # M-21-74

SURVEY # 079

County: Montgomery Gaithersburg

LIBER 2100, FOLIO 443

LOT -, BLOCK -

OWNER: E.F. King

ADDRESS: 201 Hutton St.

PRESENT USE: residence ORIGINAL USE: residence

CITY: Gaithersburg

BUILDER: unknown

STYLE: -

DATE BUILT: c.1910 PHYS. COND: fair

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:

FOUNDATION: concrete covered

WALL STRUCTURE: Balloon

WALL COVERING: asbestos over German

ROOF CONSTRUCTION:

ROOF STRUCTURE: Wood Truss

ROOF COVERING: pressed tin, fishscale pattern

ROOF STYLE: gable EAVES: boxed cornice

CHIMNEYS: -

APPENDAGES:

ADDITIONS: right

ELLS: -

PORCHES: front, wrap

SUPPORTS: turned columns

OUTBUILDINGS: -

STORIES: 2 1/2 BAYS: 2 x 4

APPROX DIMENSION: 15 x 30

WINDOWS:

TYPE: d.h.s. LIGHTS: 2/2 BAY WINDOWS: -

SIDE BY SIDES: front

GABLE TYPES: -

ENTRANCES:

LOCATION: 1st

DESCRIPTION: original, one-light transom

THREAT: zoning

SURROUNDINGS: residential before comm.

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DESCRIPTION: A two-storey ell-shaped; house with original two storey shed roof addition in rear. There are 2/2 windows with three inch plain surrounds and entablature, boxed cornice with return and plain frieze. The one-storey front porch wraps and has turned columns and scrolled decorative brackets. There are unstained Queen Anne windows on side elevation. The front door appears to be original with one large light and a one-light transom above.

Recorded by: C.Widell November 21, 1981 Historic Inventory Task Force